

To: Robinett - CDPHE, Jennifer[jennifer.robinett@state.co.us]
From: Bahrman, Sarah
Sent: Wed 8/5/2015 9:39:32 PM
Subject: RE: FW: mine blowout near silverton

Hi Jennifer –

Thanks! I agree that CDPHE should have the lead on notification to water systems, which is why I contacted you. Thanks for clarifying that to ensure we're on the same page. I will share any additional info I get – I'm not clear yet on the exact timing of the release, etc.

Thanks,
Sarah

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From: Robinett - CDPHE, Jennifer [mailto:jennifer.robinett@state.co.us]
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 3:31 PM
To: Bahrman, Sarah
Subject: Re: FW: mine blowout near silverton

I should mention that when we become aware of these things, we typically have involvement in the notification of downstream users who are in our regulatory universe and we work with the counties on others. I have outreached to our staff who directly work on these issues. I will let you know if/when I learn anything more.

Thanks again.

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On Wed, Aug 5, 2015 at 3:26 PM, Robinett - CDPHE, Jennifer <jennifer.robinett@state.co.us> wrote:

Hi, Sarah-

Thank you for passing this on. I will confirm that everyone here who needs to be aware of this is notified.

Thanks!

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On Wed, Aug 5, 2015 at 3:23 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Jennifer —

I got notice (below) from our communications office about this and wanted to make sure you had been notified. I tried to call you on your office and cell number as well. I'll keep trying you or others I know (since I think Ron is out) to get confirmation that you're aware.

Thanks,

Sarah

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From: Mylott, Richard

Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 2:01 PM

To: Ostrander, David; Hestmark, Martin; Stavnes, Sandra; Smith, Paula; Peterson, Cynthia; O'Connor, Darcy; Videtich, Callie; Bahrman, Sarah; Kahn, Lisa; Murray, Bill; Christensen, Stanley; Williams, Laura

Cc: McGrath, Shaun; Thomas, Deb; Card, Joan; Russo, Rebecca; Jenkins, Laura Flynn; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa; Faulk, Libby

Subject: mine blowout near silverton

Importance: High

FYI. Mark Salley, PIO at CDPHE just called about a significant mine blowout at the Gold King mine near Silverton that has or is expected to send a large volume of water/heavy metals through Cement Creek and the Animas, affecting Silverton and downstream. I have no details beyond Mark's vm, but Mark seems to think this would be our lead in terms of a response and notifying downstream water users, intakes etc.

Rich

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